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IS HE WORTH IT?

THE country thoroughly agrees with the President that Huerta is the issue.

"We are true friends of the people of Mexico." We are also convinced that true friendship could perform no kinder service for Mexico than to pry Huerta out of it. Nor do we feel that anything we may wish to do for Mexico stands a chance so long as this self-styled President of a disrupted country thrusts himself between us and the people whose good will we are anxious to retain.

If anybody in Mexico will tell us how to extract Huerta without pain, we will gladly operate along new lines. If there were any way to convince the great body of Mexicans that so far from having designs against their national honor we are only trying to cleanse that honor of the smirch which the presence of a Huerta puts upon it, this country would spare no expense to publish its intentions broadcast and circulate them where they could be grasped.

We wish we could be sure the Mexicans read more, thought more and tried to understand themselves and us. If ever awakening common sense and enlightened patriotism really began to unite Mexico, Huerta would drop away like a scab from a healed wound.

But meanwhile what are we to do? There seems to be no way to get at the thorn without breaking the skin.

If Mexico is to have our respect Huerta must cease his insolent pretensions to speak for that nation. To go after Huerta, we must make a demonstration out of all proportion to the rascal's value.

Is it conceivable that Mexico can continue to think a Huerta worth his keep?

He has a good eye who is unable to discern war before it is in sight.

DON'T JOGGLE THE FIXED POST.

PLAN to make the fixed-post policeman oscillate a trifle so that people can see him more easily is to be tried out on the upper east side.

The Police Commissioner announces that between Forty-second street and Fifty-ninth street the policemen on fixed post will be given a patrol of one short block. "He will patrol this in the middle of the street so that every one may see him. He will be in view all the time and easily available."

Maybe the experiment is worth trying. We should be sorry, however, to see any movement tending to abandon the fixed post. Unless we are much mistaken, it has worked exceedingly well. Business centres in the neighborhood of the fixed post men have never been more tranquil.

Has the Commissioner any statistics to show that the fixed post needs anything more than to be strengthened and extended in its present form? Why spoil a good thing by not letting it alone?

"The mine workers of this country will simply fold their arms, and when they fold their arms there will be no war."—William D. Haywood.

Without the I. W. W. where should we turn for strength and comfort?

GET AFTER HIM EARLY.

SPRING MEDICINE for street car rowdies should be administered in stiff doses from now on. Magistrate Krotel wrote the right prescription when he promptly sent to the workhouse two tough youths charged with scuffling in a subway car, falling into women's laps and throwing around baseball gloves.

It is too bad that the first fine weather of the year is always the signal for a certain class of incipient young ruffians in this town to outrage manners and make public nuisances of themselves. When ever three or four of these cheap bloods find themselves together in a crowded car they seem to think that loud talk and horseplay attract admiration. Unfortunately, thoughtless people have been known to laugh at them.

What the public really thinks of them should be made plain by the police and by the magistrates. It is to be hoped that Police Commissioner Woods will take immediate steps to assign special police for subway and elevated trains and for trolley cars to watch for the spring rowdy and nip him in the bud.

Letters From the People

As to Patriotism.

To the Editor of The Evening World:
Regarding the "National Air and Patriotism" controversy, I would like to remark that our national air have been thrown around and dragged through the dirt to such an extent by people looking for cheap advertising, and performers for cheap applause, that the average person pays no particular attention to them unless they are played or sung under conditions which warrant a display of patriotic feeling. Respect for patriotic airs depends, I think, on the conditions under which they are rendered. If a man refuses to stand up a dozen times in an evening during an entertainment simply because the entertainers think they can make a jumping-jack out of him by playing the national air a dozen times, he should not be condemned as unpatriotic.
White Plains, N. Y.
Yes.

To the Editor of The Evening World:
Are children born in the United States of foreign parents citizens even if their parents have not already become naturalized? (M188) O. B. Sinks, Kingston.

To the Editor of The Evening World:
Who wrote the poem about "Ottier Joe" and "The Sands of Dee"? C. B. A.

The Five Problems.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
In reply to J. H. Warrin, in reference to the five problems in Monday's paper, I beg to submit the following answers. As the calculations

would occupy too much space I will give only the answers: 1, \$95.85; 2, \$45.59 ft.; 3, \$61216.025; 4, 12, 559 ft.; 5, \$1 per bushel. M. E. HARTLEY.

April 5.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
On what date did Easter Sunday fall eighteen years ago? B.

Meaning of "Pedant."
To the Editor of The Evening World:
What is the exact definition of the word "pedant"? F. C.

"Pedant" is defined by Webster as "One who makes a vain display of learning; a pretender to knowledge which he does not possess."

Another Shaving Record.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
A correspondent states that he lathered, shaved, washed up and had everything put away in four minutes and thirty-two seconds. I tried it and had two witnesses (I am ready to do it again), and I did it all in one minute and thirty seconds, with a common 50-cent razor.

United States, 3,610,484 Square Miles; Brazil, 3,208,270 Square Miles.

To the Editor of The Evening World:
Is Brazil as large as the United States and Germany combined (I. e. in square mileage)? A. M.

New Brunswick, N. J.

Yes.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
Is the population of Italy in this country greater than that of the Hungarians in this country? F. G.

Cocky!

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By Maurice Ketten



Straight From The Shoulder

Success Talks to Young Men.
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Tact.
IN the Standard Dictionary this definition of "tact" appears:

"A quick or intuitive appreciation of what is fit, proper or right; fine or ready mental discernment shown in saying or doing the proper thing, or especially in avoiding what would offend or disturb, skill or facility in dealing with men or emergencies."

Underneath this paragraph "Practice this!" could be written, and a "Straight From the Shoulder" would stand without need of further adornment.

For by the employment of tact a young man speedily wins friends and keeps them; wins promotions and keeps them; wins his employer's approval and keeps it.

Even in fighting—and every business knows its battles—tact and tact combine to win. The tactful fighter is like a trained boxer—or a trained master of fence. He has "skill" or facility in dealing with men or emergencies.

Where cruder methods might win for you, after a fashion, they bruise your way onward. Tact lifts without bruising.

Just read that first paragraph—the definition of tact—over again. Your imagination will tell you all the rest.

Hits From Sharp Wits.

It is not a misfortune for a man to have fool friends, as some people seem to think. They are the only ones from whom he can borrow any money.

About the most foolish thing a young man can do who starts out to make a career for himself is to try to sell vacuum cleaners. Very few people have any vacuums to clean, you know.

A Kansas philosopher remarks that when a duck lays an egg she waddles away as though nothing had happened; when a hen lays one there is an awful racket. This is true, and we desire to call the attention of local merchants to the fact that a hen adverting, hence the great demand for hen eggs. Moral: Don't be a duck—New Orleans States.

The man who has the better of an argument doesn't do the shouting.

Sometimes what seems to be an opportunity is only another fellow's lure.

One of the principal benefits to be derived from travel is enhanced appreciation of home.—Albany Journal.

In an argument did you ever notice the man who says he "holds a brief" usually makes the longest talk?—Commercial Appeal.

Wit, Wisdom and Philosophy

(By Famous Authors)
No. 2.—THE GREATNESS OF FRIENDSHIP.
By Grace Aguilar.

IT is the fashion to deride woman's influence over woman; to laugh at female friendship; to look with scorn on all those who profess it. But perhaps the world at large little knows the effect of this influence—how often the unformed character of a young, timid and gentle girl may be influenced for good or evil by the power of an intimate female friend.

There is always to me a doubt of the warmth, the strength and purity of her feelings when a young girl merges into womanhood, passing over the threshold of actual life; seeking only the admiration of the other sex, watching for a husband or lovers, perhaps, and looking down on all female friendship as romance and folly. No young spirit was ever yet satisfied with the love of nature.

Friendship or love gratifies self-love, for it tacitly acknowledges that we must possess some good qualities to attract beyond the mere love of nature. Coleridge justly observes that "it is well ordered that the amiable and estimable should have a fainter perception of their own qualities than their friends have; otherwise they would love themselves. Now, friendship or love permits their doing this unconsciously."

Mutual affection is a tacit avowal and appreciation of mutual good qualities—perhaps friendship yet more than love, for the latter is far more an aspiration, a passion, than the former and influences the permanent character much less. Under the magic of love a girl is generally in a feverish state of excitement, often deeming herself the goddess, her lover the adorer. Whereas, it is her will that must bend to his, herself be abnegated for him.

Friendship neither permits the former nor demands the latter. It influences silently, often unconsciously, perhaps; its power is never known until afterward. A girl who stands alone, without asking or feeling friendship, is generally a cold and unamiable being so wrapped in self as to have no room for any person else, except, perhaps, a lover, whom she only seeks and values as offering his devotion to that same self.

Female friendship may be abused, may be but a name for gossip, letter writing, romance; but that Shakespeare, the mighty wizard of human hearts, thought highly and beautifully of female friendship, we have his exquisite portraits of Rosalind and Celia, Helen and the Countess, undeniably to prove.

And if he, who could portray every human passion, every subtle feeling of humanity from the whelming tempest of love to the fiendish influences of envy and jealousy and hate, from the incomprehensible mystery of Hamlet's wondrous spirit to the simplicity of the gentle Miranda, the dove-like innocence of Ophelia, who could be crushed by her weight of love but not reveal it—if Shakespeare scorned not to picture the sweet influences of female friendship, shall women pass it as a theme too tame, too idle for their pens?

Betty Vincent's Advice to Lovers

Don't "Boss."



Betty Vincent.

THE fact that two young persons are in love with each other gives neither one a right to "boss" the other.

Love should always mean a respect for the rights of the beloved object. A girl has no more right to order her fiancé to stop smoking than he has to command her to refrain from wearing high-heeled slippers. Certain personal habits or preferences should not be interfered with, even by one's nearest and dearest. One is

Family Finances and Family Food

By Sophie Irene Loeb.
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MRS. JULIAN HEATH, President of the Housewives' League, states that food has been so low in years as at present. She also deprecates the fact that so few women know it, since the majority of housekeepers use the telephone instead of the market place.

She estimates that by such procedure the housewife pays much more for her products and cannot possibly know how the food costs have fluctuated downward.

"By being right on the ground," she says, "a woman can find in the markets and retail stores many vegetables and even so-called delicacies so reduced as to make them come within the means of the average family."

Mrs. Heath's observations are well founded. There is no question but that every woman would save many a penny that would count up to no small sum at the end of the week if she would form the habit of looking over the market. Many things would present themselves for possible use and would result in economy.

We have had the cry of the high cost of living for so long, that now that estates have taken a drop, by carefully choosing these the housekeeper can save for other things that have not formerly been within her means.

Some other injunctions as to economy in the matter of food advice by Mrs. Heath and other authorities on food values may be summed up as follows:

The most expensive food may be ruined in the cooking. It is unwise to try foreign recipes at such expense.

Cold meat should be taken carefully into consideration. There are so many ways of serving "left overs."

A few cooking lessons as to how to utilize cold meats would not go amiss. In the words of an English writer, "Cold mutton has wrecked many a happy home."

While mushrooms are down in price, even though they may be your favorite dish, don't insist on your husband liking them too.

It is not unwise to study the breakfast menu more than is generally done. At present the fresh fruits are available at little expense.

A poor breakfast often sends a husband away unrefreshed to a hard day's work.

Don't look with disdain at the good old Irish potato. There are hundreds of appetizing ways to serve it. Delicious new potatoes may at present be purchased at little cost.

Many foreign meats from South

Sayings of MR. SOLOMON BEING THE SEVEN HUNDREDTH WIFE

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MY Daughter, a clever man rejoiceth my spirit, and a polished man is my delight; but a Good Sport exceedeth them all.

For lo, Love and Marriage are both games of chance; and a youth with sporting blood feareth not to take CHANCES.

But a CAUTIOUS lover feeth when no woman pursueth; and, as the timid hare, can never be caught ALIVE.

Behold how a True Sportsman gallopeth at full tilt down the field of conversation, halting not in the face of hedges, nor hesitating in the face of ditches.

He taketh a cross-cut unto a flirtation, nor seeketh roundabout roads and safe byways.

He hurdieth over a PROPOSAL without balking, and avoideth a trap without "pulling up."

Even as a polo player rejoiceth in courting death, so he delighteth in seeing how nearly he can come a cropper, yet escape.

Verily, verily, so subtle are his flatteries, and so spontaneous his praises, that unto an untrained eye his attentions shall appear as INTENTIONS and his courtesies as courtship.

And the object thereof shall be envied among women—while it lasteth. Yet, when he stumbleth and is CAUGHT, he crieth out in his defeat, but goeth bravely unto the altar, and bendeth his neck to the executioner and the yoke of matrimony.

For he is a GOOD LOSER. But a Poor Sport goeth forth unto the chase encased in armor as for battle.

Unto a damsel he sigheth, and whispereth in INNUENDOES and talketh in the language of flowers.

He holdeth her hand, privily; and even while he presseth it seeketh for the hook therein.

He hasteneth to say ALWAYS, "I am not a marrying man!" He is SO careful!

But a True Sportsman maketh love OPENLY, and is not afeared. Verily, he is like unto a toreador, that waveth his cloak before thine eyes; yet when thou thinkest to rush upon him and bring him low, behold he hath leaped aside—and is NOT THERE!

Yet, count not that time LOST which thou hast lavished upon him. For to have been wooed by such a one is better than a Higher Education; and when he hath departed thou shalt be a graduate in the School of Experience.

Yea, all the days of thy life he shall leave thee something to THINK ABOUT! Selah.

"Coddled Americans."

AMERICAN boys are coddled too much and are in need of "sympathetic and intelligent but hard taskmasters," is the opinion of Dr. Charles Loomis Dana, the celebrated neurologist. Dr. Dana, in a recent address before a body of educators.

Chapters From a Woman's Life

By Dale Drummond

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CHAPTER XX.
"WHAT happened, Sue?" Jack asked as he came in. "You look like your self again; as though you had taken a new lease of life. I haven't seen you look so well and bright for weeks!" and he held me off at arm's length, looking at me.

"I told you there was nothing the matter with me!" I answered, flushing as I thought of the reason for my looking better. "Mrs. Somers took Emeline and me for a long ride to-day and then I had luncheon at her house."

"That accounts for it!" said Jack, releasing me. "I know you work too hard, dear, and that there isn't much variety in your life just now. But better times are coming. We will soon get the few bills we owe paid and then we will feel that we can spend a dollar or two occasionally."

"Yes, and, Jack, perhaps we can take that apartment then if it is vacant." I answered, already refusing to consider my obligation to Mrs. Somers and ready to discount my freedom from debt and the \$43 in my bureau drawer.

"I wonder why the Somers are so nice to us?" Jack reflected. "It certainly is not usual for people with their money—unless they have all ways had it—to come much for people in our position."

"Oh, and, Jack," I ejaculated, paying not the slightest attention to his remark, "they are coming up here Sunday night to play cards. Auction."

"The dickens they are!" he answered. "Well, dear, in spite of all your worry, they don't appear to mind. I should say. But show him they are coming. We'll fix up some cats and I'll order a case of beer and show them we have just as good a time as if we had birds and champagne."

"Suppose we have the Grants and the Cummings at the same time? That will make two tables, and we have both of them as well as all the Somers." We might as well do it all at once, I suggested; "it will make it pleasanter for them all."

"That's a good idea, Sue. I'll order two cases of beer instead of one," laughing.

"And I'll make double the quantity of sandwiches, and have some cheese straws instead of a rabbit. I schooled. "That will be O. K. I really believe, Sue, you have been lonely. You haven't looked so happy as you do to-night since your mother went away." Jack said, rather wistfully.

"I shall be awfully glad to do something to entertain the Somers. Perhaps then you will stop talking of your obligations to them." I answered, ignoring his remark about myself.

"It's high time we did something if we are going to keep up the acquaintance." Jack read until I called him to dinner.

I cleaned and cleaned. If our little apartment was not a sight to behold from the following Wednesday, to reach it, they should at least find

America and Australia are at lower cost than domestic meats, and are now used by the very best households. All meats should be broiled rather than fried.

By carefully studying these and similar suggestions from authoritative sources and by cultivating the habit of going to market, especially in nice weather, a facility toward saving the family exchequer will be added.